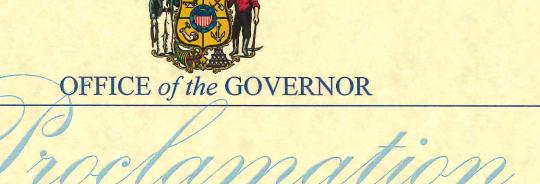
## STATE of WISCONSIN



WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin is committed to competing in the global economy, therefore our citizens should recognize the importance of helping to ensure their children have access to a good education which will equip them with the skills they will need to be successful; and

WHEREAS; the rising cost of higher education poses a serious threat to our citizens ability to secure their children's access to college and nearly four out of 10 parents of college-bound children are not putting money aside for college; and

WHEREAS; the amount of student debt continues to rise, leaving graduates with the burden of paying off their loans long after they have graduated; and

WHEREAS; it is in our state's interest that access to post-secondary education for our children be maintained and that encouraging parents to save for their children's education promotes that public purpose; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin provides two college savings plans – *EdVest* and *Tomorrow's Scholar* – as Section 529 Qualified State Tuition and Savings Plans through duly enacted laws, including state tax deductions, for our citizens as recognition of the value of higher education;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim Sunday, May 29, 2016 as

## COLLEGE SAVINGS DAY

throughout the state of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the state of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the city of Madison this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May 2016.

SCOTT WALKER GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State